CUESTA FIRE

Incident Update Sheet

Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2015 Time: 7:00 A.M.

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STATUS				
Incident Start Date: August 16, 2015	Incident Start Time: 6:18 P.M.			
Incident Type: Vegetation Fire	Cause: Vehicle			
Incident Location: South of the community of Santa Margarita	·			
Acres: 2446	Containment: 85%			
Expected Containment: August 26, 2015	Injuries: 1			

Structures Threatened: 2 Structures Damaged: 0 Structures Destroyed: 1

RESOURCES					
Engines: 59	Water Tenders: 19	Helicopters: 6	Air Tankers: 0	Hand Crews: 45	
Dozers: 12	Total Personnel: 1326				

Cooperating Agencies: San Luis Obispo County Sheriff, San Luis Obispo County OES, California Highway Patrol, CAL OES, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Bureau of Land Management, California Conservation Corps, and the American Red Cross, California National Guard

Current Situation

> Crews continue to make outstanding progress in the Water Canyon staying direct on the fires edge. Other areas of the fire are moving to a mop up and patrol status. The fire acreage data gathered by aircraft was previously limited by dense tree canopy, heavy smoke conditions, and local coastal fog. Today crews were able to access areas of the fire that they previously couldn't. Safety measures were taken today to mitigate hot spots in dense vegetation, and steep terrain which allowed for the opportunity for more accuracy in fire mapping.

Among the challenges of the dense vegetation is the decadent poison oak that has impacted 122 firefighters. As high pressure continues to remain over the fire area, higher temperatures, lower Rh, and shifting winds still pose a threat for increased fire activity within the wilderness. Suppression repair is underway, crews and equipment continue to improve contingency lines.

With fire season here homeowners should make sure that they live a fire wise lifestyle. Please visit http://www.preventwildfireca.org to see how one less spark could mean is one less wildfire.

A Forest Closure Order was ordered for the Santa Lucia Wilderness Area in the Los Padres National Forest. For more information please visit http://www.lnciweb.nwcg.gov

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